

# AIR FORCE GLOBAL STRIKE COMMAND FORCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM NEWS BULLETIN



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#### Message from the Commander

With each passing month, we're implementing ideas to enhance mission effectiveness and improve this Command. Your recommendations have received backing and funding from the Department of Defense, confirming the nuclear mission is the Nation's number one defense priority. This is why our Continuous Force Improvement Philosophy is so important. With this leadership focus, we must continuously show why we're worthy of investment and be the top Command our Air Force needs. We must pursue excellence in everything we do as we work to improve the quality of work life for our Airmen. We all own these improvements, and I am proud to see everyone working as a team to see them implemented.



Lt Gen Stephen Wilson AFGSC Commander

## Nuclear Deterrence Operations Services Medal



On 5 November, during the 2014 Global Strike Challenge, Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James surprised attendees by presenting the first Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medals to 25 Airmen across the command, representing numerous AFSCs. The medal is intended to recognize the importance and unique demands of the nuclear deterrence mission and the dedication of the Airmen who perform it.

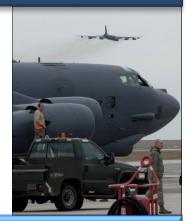
#### Latest FIP Updates

<u>Continuous Bomber Presence</u> - A team traveled to Andersen AFB, Guam to explore options to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of AFGSC's Continuous Bomber Presence. The team received extremely responsive feedback, and recommendations will be presented to leadership later this month.

**B-52 Training** - A High Performance Team comprised of various crew members, 8 AF and AFGSC subject matter experts are currently overhauling the initial qualification syllabi to increase quality of training, break-down crew force stovepipes, and create a more combat effective crew member. Options are being explored to reduce the student-to-instructor ratio to 1:1 to improve training quality.

<u>Missile Wing Vehicles</u> - 11 of 95 new 4x4 crew cab vehicles have been delivered to all missile wings for Ops and Maintenance crew members.

<u>Incentive Pay/Special Duty Assignment Pay</u> - AFPC continues to refine pay guidance. The first paycheck will be retroactive until the beginning of October 2014 for Airmen on assignment.



#### Missile Alert Facilities: Now with Wi-Fi



After working with a private sector internet provider, all 45 AFGSC Missile Alert Facilities now have wireless internet access available. As not all Missile Alert Facilities were wired the same, more work was required than anticipated, including the repair of deteriorated lines. Following the installation, the next phase will be exploring possible bandwidth upgrades as well as options for extending the range of the wireless signals to reach the back rooms of Missile Alert Facilities. This was a 2-year long effort that started before FIP, but reinforces FIPs efforts to provide our Airmen with the tools they need to succeed.

### FIP Belongs to All of Us

Continuously examine how we operate to identify ways to make things better for all. <a href="https://afgsc-p.eis.af.mil/es/fip/">https://afgsc-p.eis.af.mil/es/fip/</a>